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1. NEWLY-ARRIVED YAR AMBASSADOR TO PRAGUE, YAHYA ABD-AL-RAHMAN AL-IRYANI, SON OF YAR PRESIDENT, HAS LONG BEEN KNOWNFOR DECIDED LEFTIST VIEWS AND MARKED SYMPATHY FOR SOVIET BLOC. ALTHOUGH PRECISE BIOGRAPHIC DATA ON YAHY AL-IRYANI UNAVAILABLE HERE, HE APPARENTLY OBTAINED SOME HIGHER EDUCATION IN CAIRO, BAGHDAD AND BLOC.

2. RECENTLY YAHYA AL-IRYANI CAUSED FATHER ACUTE EMBARRASSMENT WHEN NAME APPEARED ON LIST OF PDRY-SYMPATHIZING LEFTISTS WHICH YARG OBTAINED AND WHICH HAS LED TO EXTENSIVE ARRESTS WITHIN YAR. YAHYA AL-IRYANI WAS IN LONDON ON DIPLOMATIC ASSIGNMENT AT TIME LIST SEIZED. SUBSEQUENT POSTING TO PRAGUE WAS COMPRO-MISE QUIETLY AGREED WITH YARG LEADERSHIP (A) TO SAVE PRESIDENT AND NATION THE EMBARRASSMENT OF BRINGING PRESIDENT'S SON TO PUBLIC TRIAL WITH OTHER SUBVERSIVES DIRECTED BY ADEN AND (B) TO PUT YAHYA, AS ONESENIOR OFFICIAL TERMED IT, QTE AMONG HIS FRIENDS WHERE HE CAN DO US NO HARM UNQTE.

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